Leakage in water supply

1558. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the scarcity of water in Delhi is largely due to massive leakage in Delhi Jal Board's supply lines; and

(b) if so, the steps Government have taken to stop water leakage which is more than 300 MGD everyday whereas the shortfall in supply of water is around 150 MGD?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The Delhi Jal Board has informed that against a total production of 675 million gallons per day (mgd) of water, about 80 mgd of water seeps through the distribution system of about 9000 kms. The main points for leakages are the service connections by the consumers and unauthorised use of on line boosters.

The seepage has been reported from different places all over Delhi. Regular inspections are carried out by Delhi Jal Board on daily basis to detect and plug leakages. A dedicated Leak Detection Cell functions for prevention, detection and repair of leakages.

Land acquisition for metro station

1559. SHRIMATI KAMLA MANHAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether one of the metro stations on the Connaught Place-Dwarka route is coming up at Ramesh Nagar area of West Delhi;

(b) the details of the properties in the vicinity of this station that are likely to be acquired by Government for the purpose of developing parking and other facilities to make access to the metro station easy;

(c) whether any compensation would be paid for acquiring these properties; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?